including technical and non-technical staff in the Department of Atomic Energy.

(b) There is no case of SC/ST employee leaving the Department due to victimisation during last 5 years.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Reservation policy for SCs/STs in the establishments of DAE

3005. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation policy for SCs/STs is being observed in the establishments of Department of Atomic Energy in recruitment and promotions;

(b) if so, whether the same is also being observed in confirmation of services of SCs/STs in the Department;

(c) upto what Categories of services the said policy is observed;

(d) since when it is effective in the Department; and

(e) what is the number of SC/ST candidates benefited by promotion in all classes of services, from Class IV to top level, during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

AERB raids to strengthen safety measures at nuclear installations

3006. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) proposes to conduct surprise raids at various nuclear installations in the country to strengthen safety measures;

(b) if so, the details of such raids conducted during the last three months;

(c) whether any discrepancies have been found in the safety measures;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what are the effective steps taken to strengthen safety measures on nuclear installations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (e) The Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) has set up a Directorate of Regulatory Inpection & Enforcement, with effect from January 1, 1994 to strengthen the Board's activities which include enforcing radiation, nuclear and industrial safety stipulations in nuclear installations and radiation safety stipulations nation-wide. In this context the Board is also proposing to conduct inspections at short notice.

(b) No such surprise checks in nuclear installations have been carried out since the formation of the Directorate. However, the Safety Review Committee for Operating Plants (SARCOP) under the Board has been carrying out periodic preplanned inspections of nuclear installations.

(c) No discrepancies of substantial significance to safety have been observed in the inspections.

(d) Does not arise.